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FOR: Method Of Selecting A Salt For  
Making An Inclusion Complex

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Sir:

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER RULE 111

This is in response to the Office Action of June 17, 1999 in the above-identified application, the time for response having been extended two (2) months by including the appropriate fee and petition herewith.

In response to the Office Action, the Examiner is earnestly requested to reconsider his position in light of the following comments:

REMARKS

The Invention

Applicant has invented a method of locating one or more salts having a solubility in a cyclodextrin equal to or greater than a desired target solubility. The invention makes use of the recognition by Applicant that different salts of the same compound can have different equilibrium solubilities in a given (i.e., the same) cyclodextrin. All of this is abundantly explained in the specification, for example at page 2, lines 18-27. The Examiner has provided no basis that the art recognized that different salts of a compound can have different solubilities in the same cyclodextrin, and the art of record (Szejtli and Bryant) certainly provides no such basis. For this reason, and as further explained below, it is submitted that Applicant's claimed invention is indeed unobvious, hence patentable.